

CSBG Senior Mini Grant Questions and Answers

Question 3 on pg 1: Has the entity received grant funds to operate or administer Senior Programs in the past 2 years? Does this mean CSBG grant funds or does it include grant funds from other sources?

Answer: The Applicant may refer to any source of grant funds used for Senior Programs to address this question.

Do you have or know of any specific statistical information about the elderly poverty/ poor in the Oviedo/ Seminole county area? I went to the Census Bureau site and was not able to find specific information as it relates to the Oviedo/Seminole County as a whole. Because the area where the program/events shall take place or be directed towards is declared a "low income" area is there any specific requirements/ exemptions granted or mandated?

Answer: Applicants may refer to Seminole County-Consolidated Plan; Florida Department of Elder Affairs or The Senior Resource Alliance for data relative to the elderly and low-income populations in Seminole County.

During the pre-application meeting it was stated that food was ineligible for program/ project expenses. Can catered food/ refreshments be allowed as a part of senior fitness and or social/ recreational activities?

Answer: Food is an ineligible expense for the Senior Mini Grant Program. This includes catered food and refreshments for social/recreational activities. Applicant may wish to provide food as a match for the program/project.

Can we list the project expenses separately for each event/program or do we have to combine them? How will disbursement be made? Can any residual funds be used to fund another program/event that is directly related to one of the proposed events/program?

Answer: Expenses may be listed separately. Fund disbursement will be made monthly based on cost reimbursement. Sub-grantees will be required to provide monthly invoices with proof of payment to be reimbursed. Residual funds may not be used for activities/events provided by another program. All fund must be used for Senior-Mini Grant Program activities.

Under volunteer hours, is that a fixed rate per hour or do we utilize a rate provided by our volunteer instructor?

Answer: Applicants may utilize volunteer rates provided by Professional Volunteers as long as it is documented by the third-party; and does not exceed the maximum allowable rate indicated on the budget form.

The fixed rate per hour is the max?

Answer: The rate provided is the maximum allowable rate for professional volunteers.

May we hold the program in two locations/Senior centers?

Answer: Programs may be held at more than one location/Senior Centers.

What is the reporting requirement for this funding?

Answer: The reporting requirements will be similar to the CSA programs. At a minimum we will require a monthly request for reimbursement and end of the grant period report. Proof of payment for activities/programs will be required each month for reimbursement.

Is this one-time funding or reoccurring?

Answer: Future funding is contingent on the CSBG allocation next fiscal year. This grant is not renewable, applicants would need to reapply if interested.